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OCTOGENARIANS RECEIVE ROYAL GIFT.

Mr. and Mrs. J. SUTTON, of 1 Southsea Cottages, Somerset Road, had a pleasant surprise on Good Friday morning. They received an Easter gift from H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth in the shape of a food parcel, one of many which constituted Toronto's wedding present to the Princess, containing tins of peaches, prunes, chicken, kidney, and beans, tomato soup, peas, and many other good things. Mr. SUTTON, who was a builders' mason employed by Messrs. C. LANGDON for 52 ½ years, is 83, and Mrs. SUTTON will be 81 in April. They are both in bad health and although Mr. SUTTON is confined to bed Mrs. SUTTON is able to get up in the afternoons and delights in talking to friends of the days of Queen Victoria whom, in company with many Islanders, she saw on several occasions.

Mr. and Mrs. SUTTON celebrated their golden wedding in August, 1945, and are devotedly cared for by their married daughter (Mrs. P. CHURCHILL) . The letter enclosed in the parcel reads: "Many kind friends overseas sent me gifts of food at the time of my wedding. I want to distribute it as best I can and to share my good fortune with others. I therefore ask you to accept this parcel with my best wishes.- Elizabeth."

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